## 108TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2112

To provide support for North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) peacekeeping within Iraq.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 15, 2003

Mr. Lantos (for himself, Mr. Bereuter, Mr. Wexler, Mr. Faleomavaega, Mr. Hoeffel, Mr. Schiff, and Mr. Ackerman) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

# A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "NATO Peacekeeping
- 5 in Iraq Act of 2003".
- 6 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
- 7 Congress makes the following findings:
- 8 (1) The coalition forces have liberated Iraq
- 9 from the decades-long grip of the terrorist regime of

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- Saddam Hussein, and the Iraqi people now have the opportunity to build a truly representative and democratic society, which would stand as a model for all the countries of the region to emulate.
  - (2) There are terrorist organizations and tyrannical regimes that will correctly perceive that such a representative and democratic society in the Middle East will constitute the gravest threat to their existence and continued oppression of the peoples of the region, and will seek to prevent any truly representative and democratic government and society from arising in Iraq by any means possible.
  - (3) There may be political strife in Iraq as the people emerge from the domination of Saddam Hussein and the thugs of the Baathist Party, and prolonged unrest and civil strife within Iraq would present a continuing threat to the stability not just of a free Iraq, but of the entire Persian Gulf region.
  - (4) There is an immediate need for peacekeeping and civil police forces throughout Iraq to maintain order and prevent interference by terrorists and extremists in the affairs of the newly-free Iraqi people.
  - (5) The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) should provide immediate personnel, mate-

- 1 rial and other assistance to establish an inter-
- 2 national peacekeeping and civil police presence in
- 3 Iraq to assist coalition forces in promoting security,
- 4 civil order, and the growth of democracy.

#### 5 SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

- 6 It is the sense of Congress that the North Atlantic
- 7 Treaty Organization (NATO) should immediately begin
- 8 contributing peacekeeping and civil order personnel to pro-
- 9 mote security and stability in Iraq. It is further the sense
- 10 of Congress that the President should use all appropriate
- 11 diplomatic means to persuade NATO and NATO member
- 12 nations to formally undertake a major peacekeeping and
- 13 civil order mission in Iraq.

### 14 SEC. 4. SUPPORT FOR NATO ACTIVITIES.

- 15 (a) In General.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
- 16 sion of law, there are authorized to be appropriated to the
- 17 Secretary of State \$100,000,000 for each of the fiscal
- 18 years 2003 through 2005 to support any North Atlantic
- 19 Treaty Organization (NATO) peacekeeping within Iraq.
- 20 (b) Additional Authorities.—(1) Notwith-
- 21 standing any other provision of law, the President may
- 22 make available defense articles, defense services, and mili-
- 23 tary education and training pursuant to section 506 of the
- 24 Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to support the activities
- 25 in subsection (a).

- 1 (2) There are authorized to be appropriated to the
- 2 President \$200,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2004
- 3 and 2005 to carry out paragraph (1). Amounts appro-
- 4 priated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations
- 5 under the preceding sentence shall not be counted against
- 6 any annual funding limitation contained in section
- 7 506(a)(2)(B) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

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